

CITY AUDITOR'S REPORT

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2010

2010 CABLE FRANCHISE FEES

ON 11/03/10, THE CITY RECEIVED \$172,730.61 FROM COMCAST CABLE FOR THE FRANCHISE FEES FOR THE 3RD QUARTER OF 2010. THE YEAR TO DATE TOTAL IS \$524,689.66. THE 2010 BUDGET LISTS \$700,000 AS ANNUAL CABLE FRANCHISE FEES REVENUE.

THE FOLLOWING CHART LISTS CABLE FRANCHISE FEES FROM 1997 – 2010 3RD Q.:

YEAR	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE
1997	\$564,000	\$586,350.73	\$22,350.73
1998	\$615,000	\$772,978.02	\$157,978.02
1999	\$645,000	\$670,813.60	\$25,813.60
2000	\$680,000	\$701,370.94	\$21,370.94
2001	\$700,000	\$667,645.58	<\$32,354.42>
2002	\$700,000	\$724,969.36	\$24,969.36
2003	\$720,000	\$739,601.21	\$19,601.21
2004	\$750,000	\$732,936.04	<\$17,063.96>
2005	\$750,000	\$659,329.68	<\$90,670.32>
2006	\$770,000	\$684,295.97	<\$85,704.03>
2007	\$700,000	\$673,827.84	<\$26,172.16>
2008	\$700,000	\$670,281.50	<\$29,718.50>
2009	\$700,000	\$716,971.61	\$16,971.61
2010-3 RD Q	\$700,000	\$524,689.66	

NOTE: 1998 INCLUDES FIVE (5) QUARTERS OF REVENUE FROM AUDITOR'S ADJUSTMENT

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS REIMBURSEMENT FOR 2009-2010

I HAVE COMPILED THE NECESSARY INFORMATION AND BILLED THE READING SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THEIR SHARE (50%) OF COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD PROGRAM.

THE AMOUNT BILLED IS \$252,338.50, WHICH IS SLIGHTLY MORE THAN THE \$250,000.00 THAT THE 2010 BUDGET ESTIMATED AS REIMBURSEMENT REVENUE. THE MAYOR'S PROPOSED 2011 BUDGET ESTIMATES \$250,000.00 REIMBURSEMENT FOR SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS. I AM RECOMMENDING INCREASING THAT AMOUNT TO \$255,000.00 FOR THE 2011 BUDGET.

PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES 2006-2010

THIS REPORT ILLUSTRATES PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES RECEIVED FROM VARIOUS INSTITUTIONS FROM 2006 THROUGH 2010.

THE 2010 YEAR TO DATE REVENUE FROM PAYMENTS/DONATIONS IN LIEU OF TAXES IS \$33,428 OR \$56,572 SHORT OF THE BUDGETED TARGET OF \$90,000. THIS AMOUNT **DOES NOT** INCLUDE MONEY EXPECTED FROM THE READING HOUSING AUTHORITY. THAT AMOUNT MUST BE SHARED WITH BOTH THE COUNTY OF BERKS AND THE READING SCHOOL DISTRICT BASED ON THEIR RESPECTIVE MILLAGE RATES. THE MAYOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES FOR 2011 IS \$75,000 AND THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE RECOMMENDS AN AMOUNT OF \$100,000.

INSTITUTION	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
1 ST PRES CHURCH	1,178	0	1,175	1,100	1,100
B'NAI B'RITH		10,000	0	10,000	10,000
ALBRIGHT COLL		0	0	0	0
CHARLES EVANS CEMETARY	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
ALVERNIA UNIVERSITY	20,000	20,000	40,000	0	40,000
READING HOSPITAL		0	0	30,000	30,000
YMCA		0	0	0	0
RDG HOUSING AUTHORITY		54,899	38,051	52,197	57,500
HUGH CARCELLA APTS	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH	1,000	0	1,000	1,000	1,000
Entire Year	33,428	96,149	91,476	105,547	150,850
Budget	90,000	90,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Over/ (Under) Budget		6,149	<8,524>	5,547	50,850

- **BOLD #** INDICATES THE AMOUNT THE CITY RETAINS.
- PAYMENTS BY **RHA** ARE SHARED W/SCHOOL DISTRICT & BERKS COUNTY.